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1. [] Talked to Ralph Preston, House Appropriations Committee staff, regarding legislation for the future of our Radios--he sees no problem in getting House approval of the Senate bill for handling them under a continuing resolution until 6 August.

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2. [] Discussed the Radios problem with Bill Woodruff, Counsel, Senate Appropriations Committee, who says he thinks the bill for taking care of the Radios under a continuing resolution will survive in the Senate, but he is not at all sure of the long-term future of the Radios. He feels they cannot survive indefinitely in an "open environment" in the face of present congressional economy drives.

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4. [] Pat Holt, Senate Foreign Relations Committee staff, called to request a briefing on [] and I asked [] to arrange it with [] of OCI.

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11. [] Met with Miss Jane McMullan, Senate Appropriations Committee staff, and received from her copies of the continuing appropriations resolution, H. J. Res. 742, as amended by the Committee on Friday, 25 June, and a copy of the Senate Report 92-240. The Senate amendments make specific provisions for RFE and RL funding for the period 1 July through 6 August. Messrs. Houston, OGC, [] CA staff, and [] OPPB, have been advised.

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12. [] Met with Mr. Arthur Kuhl, Senate Foreign Relations Committee staff, who told me that S. 1936, the Case bill to establish a council for funding RFE and RL operations, was on the agenda for discussion in the executive meeting of the full Committee last week but the item was not reached. After checking with Mr. Robert Dockery, the staff man handling S. 1936, Mr. Kuhl told me that the bill has not been included as yet in the agenda for the next Executive Session. It is apparently Mr. Dockery's feeling that with the passage of the continuing resolution by the Senate Appropriations Committee on Friday with provisions for funding of the Radios that the matter has been resolved for the present in that the resolution will probably be continued after 6 August indefinitely as needed. Messrs. [] OGC, and [] CA Staff, have been advised.

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13. [] Talked to various members of the House Foreign Affairs Committee staff concerning H. R. 9330, dated 22 June, a bill to provide for the establishment of a council for funding RFE and RL operations. Although the bill has been referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs for action, it has not been assigned within the Committee. Conversation with Mr. Albert Westphal indicates that the Committee will continue pretty much full time on the foreign aid bill the remainder of the week. Messrs. [] OGC, and [] CA staff, have been advised.

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7. [] George Murphy, Deputy Director, Joint Committee on Atomic Energy, followed up his call to [] on Friday concerning the announced approval of sale of the ICL 1906-A computer to the USSR. Based on information provided by Dr. Allen, Director of OER, I identified a blind memorandum in Murphy's possession on this subject as a memorandum we had given him last fall dated 4 September 1970, entitled "ICL 1906's to USSR." Murphy also pushed for the early delivery of a paper Dr. Allen is preparing for him in blind memorandum form which ranks the capability of the ICL 1906. I told him we would try to get it to him tomorrow morning which he said was fine.

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8. [] In a meeting with [] [] FE Division, Mr. Maury and Mr. [] reviewed and concurred in the FE Division suggested changes in the Department of State draft response to Chairman Morgan, House Foreign Affairs Committee, concerning House of Representatives Resolutions of Inquiry submitted by Representative Paul McCloskey (R., Calif.) (H. Res. 492, 493, 494 & 495). The Department of State draft response was forwarded to this Agency by transmittal dated 28 June 1971.

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9. [] I talked to Mr. Pat Holt, Senate Foreign Relations Committee staff, and scheduled a briefing on [] for 10:30 a.m., Wednesday, 30 June in his office. This was in response to his call to Mr. Maury earlier in the day. [] DDI, has been advised.

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10. [] In response to a memorandum request dated 23 June from [] SB/CI/I, for information concerning a meeting on 21 June 1971 between South Vietnam Minister of Economy Ngoc and an informal congressional committee headed by Representative Bella Abzug (D., N.Y.), I made several inquiries on the Hill. House Foreign Affairs Committee staff and House Government Operations Committee staff had no knowledge of such a meeting. Representative Abzug's office has issued no statement and three different members of her staff had no information on the meeting other than that one of them thought Representative Abzug had met with Minister Ngoc on the 21st of June. [] has been advised.

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